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## SECTION TWO.

# 2-CENT RATE ON TRANSFERS HERE TO STAY

Commission, However, Probably  
Will Take Action to Remedy  
Injustices in Car Service.

By BILL PRICE.  
Numerous grievances of the public over certain phases of the 2-cent transfer charge on Washington street railways will have to be taken up and adjusted at an early date by the Public Utilities Commission.  
That the grievances are widespread the commission does not doubt. It understands well that three-fourths of the town is "dead sore" over the whole thing, but the ill feeling is especially strong on the part of many car riders who believe themselves to be subject to injustices.  
The commission is not at all likely to reconsider its 2-cent charge order for the purpose of substituting some other method, but it will desire to remedy injustices to the riding public, and so soon as the new order is deemed to have been in effect long enough will take up the complaints for consideration.

**Limit on Transfers.**  
The public is evidencing strong objection to paying 2 cents for transfers which are limited to fifteen or twenty minutes, believing that with this additional charge it would be entitled to more time, so that if a passenger is unable, by reason of tied-up service, to use his transfer he may use it later in the day.

A large number of employees of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing report that yesterday morning they paid the Capital Traction for transfers to the R. & E. at Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue and found W. R. & E. cars were tied up. They usually run in flocks. So the bureau folks, by hundreds, were compelled to wait for transfers, causing some of them to be late. The 2 cents they had paid out availed them nothing.

This same thing will happen frequently over the city. The passenger, waiting long and patiently for a car, will, in desperation, walk to his destination, or pay a fare on another line. That the commission should understand that nobody knows when the next car will be along.

**Carriers Wear Abuse.**  
Railway officials declare that to extend the time limit would open transfers to great abuse; that many people would pay 2 cents for transfers when they could have used them and sell them to others for 3 or 4 cents. The transfer is supposed to be "good for a continuous ride, on the next car," they point out. The public declares that nobody knows when the next car will be along.

Many times readers, writing to this paper, declare their belief that the transfer charge is simply illegal and has been so held in some States. One writer says that simply because a man lives off a direct line is no reason why he should pay a transfer charge. Other passengers may ride much farther on a line of through cars and are subject to only one charge. This writer goes so far as to recommend that people refuse to pay the charge and test the question in the courts.

**Shifting of Routes of Travel.**  
Railway officials believe there will be a great shifting of routes of travel in Washington in an endeavor of the public to avoid transfer charges. This will affect some lines considerably. Capital Traction officials today reported a falling off yesterday in the number of transfers issued of about 80 per cent. The W. R. & E. reported a falling off of 37 1/2 per cent, and President Ham believed it soon will reach 40 per cent, as people readjust their routes of travel to avoid transfer charges.

Yesterday the W. R. & E. sold 28,975 2-cent transfers. As compared with an average of eight normal week days in May this was a reduction of 37 1/2 per cent. An average day under free transfers was something like 67,000.

**Estimated Revenue Increase.**  
Sunday last there was a falling off in pay passengers on the W. R. & E. of about 7 per cent. Yesterday's pay passengers averaged about the same as any normal day.

Should the pay transfers on the W. R. & E. average 45,000 a day for 365 days this would bring in about \$225,000 more revenue each year. Officials have declared their belief the increased revenue will not reach \$150,000 a year. The Utilities commission estimated that it will be \$200,000 a year.

Persons located on lines with both through and part-the-way cars believe that for convenience and comfort of travel they should not be required to take through cars, but should be entitled to free transfers from short-trip cars to through cars. They are now required to pay a transfer charge.

## DR. COLIER ANNOUNCES G. W. U. STUDENT COUNCIL

The personnel of the Student Council at George Washington University for the next academic year has been announced by Dr. William Miller Collier, president of the university.

The new members of the council are Foster Hagan, Elizabeth Earnest and Edward Hanson, of Columbian College; Raymond Harsh and Harry Strang, of the Engineering College; Miss Elizabeth Humphrey, of Teachers' College; Fred E. Freeland, of the Medical School, and Edward Leifer, of the Dental School.

## FINNISH MINISTER IS "BABY" DIPLOMAT



ARMAS SAASTAMOINEN, New minister from Finland, who has arrived in Washington. He is only thirty-three years old. Mr. Saastamoinen predicts a big trade between the United States and Finland with the revival of industries in the latter country.

## DIET KITCHEN MAY BE CLOSED JUNE 30

The Washington Diet Kitchen Association may be forced to close the doors June 30 of its eight kitchens that are located in various parts of Washington to care for thousands of babies in Washington.

In the present District appropriation bill just reported by the Appropriations Committee to the House of Representatives the appropriation for \$15,000 for the Washington Diet Kitchen is not included.

When the estimates were sent to Congress this amount was included, but when the bill was presented to the House the appropriation was missing.

**Will Deprive Babies of Aid.**  
Unless the Senate Committee on Appropriations puts in money for this kitchen thousands of babies in Washington will be deprived of the aid given by the Kitchen Association.

Last month 1,969 babies, all under six years old, visited the various kitchens, were given treatment or food, and had various other needs attended to.

These kitchens are established to give "clinical examinations, advice, care, and maintenance of children under six years of age by a contract made by the Washington Diet Kitchen Association and the District Health Department."

**Nurses at Each Station.**  
At these stations nurses are stationed. These nurses visit the homes of babies and give instructions to the mothers as to the care of their child.

During the past year the babies of Washington have been weighed at these stations. If the child was underweight, nurses or physicians made an examination and gave free advice.

In cases where families were in such a condition they could not buy with the kitchen's furnished milk free.

**Care For 1,400 a Month.**  
An average of 1,400 children are patients each month at these kitchens. The nurses make an average of 2,200 visits to the homes of children each month.

Miss Mary Quinn is president of this association, which has headquarters located at 1333 G street northwest.

The eight kitchen stations are located at these places: No. 1, Georgetown Hospital; No. 2, 2363 Pennsylvania avenue northwest; No. 3, Children's Hospital; No. 4, 350 C street northwest; No. 5, 1225 Four-and-a-half street southwest; No. 6, Casualty Hospital; No. 7, 1130 K street northwest; No. 8, 82 K street northwest.

At these stations an average of sixty conferences are held each week, attended by mothers, who receive instructions from the nurses.

**Fourteen new cases of whooping cough were reported to the District Health Department today. This makes over fifty cases reported during the last week.**

Dr. William C. Fowler, District Health Officer, today reiterated his statement of yesterday that his department was ready to prosecute persons who allowed children afflicted with whooping cough to play with other children.

From present indications, Dr. Fowler says, "it looks as if the only way to prevent an epidemic is to get after the parents of children suffering with whooping cough. Our force of inspectors are ready to investigate any cases of whooping cough and enforce the law."

During the last month records in the Health Department show a steady increase in the number of cases reported to the department.

**Money means work. Don't labor for trivialities. Save your labor and buy stamps.**

## An ALL Washington Page for ALL Washington People

# The Washington Times

WASHINGTON, TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 1919.

## Washington Is Stirred To Depths By Agitation For and Against Bruce

The depths to which Washington has been stirred by the agitation against Roscoe C. Bruce, assistant superintendent in charge of colored schools, is indicated by the numerous meetings at which resolutions for and against Mr. Bruce are adopted. Below are presented news features of both sides of the situation today:

### 'BRUCE MUST GO,' SAY MEMBERS OF PARENTS' LEAGUE

"Bruce must go. The agitation in the colored schools will not stop until the Board of Education removes the assistant superintendent." This slogan is being carried by the Parents' League in its campaign against Assistant Superintendent Bruce, who will be declared again tonight, when 20,000 colored residents of Washington gather at an anti-Bruce mass meeting in the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church.

While the membership of the Parents' League was increased from 10,000 to 20,000 only recently, new applications for membership are coming in rapidly from those who oppose the Bruce administration, and a membership of 30,000 is expected before the Bruce case hearing ordered by the Board of Education is held.

"Never in the history of the colored people of Washington has there been such a revolution of feeling against a school official," said Rev. Dr. J. Milton Waldron, one of the officials of the league today.

**"Story One of Inefficiency."**  
"The whole story of the Bruce administration, practically, has been one of the inefficient management of the schools. The members of the Parents' League are interested in removing Mr. Bruce because of the concern they feel for their children, who are surely entitled to a decent education."

"This is not the first general protest against the Bruce administration, nor will it be the last, unless the fight against Mr. Bruce is removed." Among the speakers at the general mass meeting in the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, which will be held tonight, will be Dr. C. M. Tanner, Dr. J. Milton Waldron, Dr. J. H. Callis, the Rev. D. D. Turpeau, Miss N. H. Burroughs, Dr. James L. Pinn, and Mrs. T. A. Jurin.

**Statement by League.**  
The following statement, issued today by the executive committee of the Parents' League, will be read at the mass meeting tonight:

"The fight of the Parents' League against the retention of Assistant Superintendent Bruce has up to this time been only in its preliminary stages. Last week, twenty-five ministers pledged their support to the movement against Mr. Bruce and several other local colored civic organizations have become affiliated with the Parents' League in the present controversy."

**Teachers Urge Action.**  
"We are daily receiving letters from school teachers and school officials, urging the league to keep up the fight. The teachers are so situated that they cannot actively assist; but many of them who have been unjustly discriminated against are commending the league for its efforts to improve the colored public school system of Washington."

"Through these teachers we find that discontent and want of confidence in the administration of the colored schools, on the part of the teachers, is rapidly coming to the surface."

Bruce's supporters in the schools are becoming apprehensive as the fight progresses and are making every effort to distract public attention from the fight against Bruce himself.

**"Some Favorable Minded."**  
"Members of 'The Boule,' the secret society of the general public, which is being asked by the Parents' League in connection with the Bruce hearing, the Parents' League knows, are appealing to the board to act in Bruce's behalf."

They know that if the Bruce administration is ousted 'The Boule' will lose much of its power, and that the great majority of the colored teachers who feel that they have been unjustly dealt with, will receive fair treatment in the future."

Additional evidence, in the Bruce case, is being gathered by the attorneys for the Parents' League, and with the help of many teachers who have offered to testify against the assistant superintendent on the question of efficiency, provided they are promised immunity, expect to be able to furnish a doubly strong case when the Bruce hearing is held.

### SUMMER CAMP FOR GIRL WAR WORKERS IS OPENED

The summer camp for girls employed in the Government service was opened Sunday. Situated near Forest Glen, Md., the camp promises to be a real haven for the girls during the hot weather.

All girls in Government service are entitled to the use of the camp. The Government Recreation League, in co-operation with the Red Cross, has extended its full privileges to all girls campers, including the most desirable facilities. Full information can be obtained from the Recreation League, 1408 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

### FRIENDS CONDEMN ACTION AGAINST SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Resolutions condemning the agitation against Roscoe C. Bruce, assistant superintendent in charge of Washington's colored schools, were adopted at a meeting in Calvary Episcopal Church last night.

The resolutions were forwarded to the Board of Education today by the Rev. F. I. A. Bennett, pastor of the church, who was responsible for the meeting. They charge the Parents' League, an anti-Bruce organization, with unwillingness to give Mr. Bruce an opportunity to present his side of the case.

The resolutions follow:  
"On Tuesday evening, April 15, 1919, there was held at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, 1618 M street northwest, a mass meeting. Several days prior to this meeting many circulars were distributed throughout the city, inviting citizens to be present.

A copy of this circular is hereto annexed marked 'Exhibit.' The circulars are headed 'Moens Teachers Must Go.' On Tuesday morning of the same date the Rev. C. M. Tanner, pastor of this church, was informed by the Department of Justice that one school teacher was in any way connected with the case in question.

**Collected Funds to Push Case.**  
"At the meeting several hours later this information was withheld from the people and a large sum of money collected to carry forward the agitation, which now assumes the form of demanding the removal of Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce, who was not even remotely connected with the Moens affair."

Mr. Bruce was invited to attend this meeting. He went. He was prepared to speak in defense of the school system. He was not permitted to sit on the platform with the picked speakers of the evening—deliberately insulted and denied an opportunity to speak either in his own defense or that of the school system.

We respectfully submit the above statement of facts without comment. As the weeks went by, other mass meetings were held and still being held—no names of the "Moens Teachers" have been given to the subscribers of the purification fund, and the burden of oratory is—Mr. Bruce must go. At all of these meetings combined, limited to approximately twenty speakers at all told, no one is allowed to speak unless he first declares his opposition to Mr. Bruce—free speech being denied.

We also respectfully submit this statement without comment to your honorable body.

**"Bring Teachers Into Disrepute."**  
The net result of this agitation has been to bring into disrepute at home and throughout the country, as evidenced by the out-of-town press, the colored women of our teaching force—many of whose names are being whistled on the streets of the city as being involved in the Moens case, when they were not, and a final and last desperate assault upon the assistant superintendent of the colored schools by men and women who have not hesitated to take advantage of the code of laws of the District of Columbia, which makes libel a criminal offense, but not the spoken word.

When called upon to reduce to writing charges, which, with a singular freedom from restraint, have been made by irresponsible people in public, no responsible person connected with the Parents' League has put down over a single signature any charge involving the moral character of any school official.

**"Some Members Misled."**  
There are some good people in the Parents' League—courageous, straightforward and honest. These have simply been misled by persons touching such affairs, that floor space has been grievously inadequate to accommodate the eager thousands, who have sought admittance to all the various and numerous functions inaugurated.

So great has been the enthusiasm and endorsement of the general public touching such affairs, that floor space has been grievously inadequate to accommodate the eager thousands, who have sought admittance to all the various and numerous functions inaugurated.

**Proud of School System.**  
We are proud of our colored school system—proud of the record it has made in the education of the colored youth of the city—many of whom have gone forth and taken responsible positions in the professional and industrial life of the nation—many of whom have distinguished themselves in the military service of the republic, where they have shown the best of the colored race, held high the battle flag of the American army.

We resent the disgraceful agitation which has been going on in this city for some weeks as not representative

## Walter Reed Wounded Yanks Study Bee Culture



The latest and most attractive proposition offered to wounded American soldiers at the Walter Reed Hospital is that of bee culture. Recently the wounded men at the hospital have been taken to visit the bee farm in Maryland run by the Bureau of Entomology, Department of Agriculture. Those of the men who became interested are being instructed in the art and science of bee farming. Lectures by experts are given, along with talks on the best methods of bringing the business to a lucrative and well-paying basis. The photo shows one of the soldiers on the bee farm.

## 312TH MEN WILL BE RELEASED TUESDAY

Washington's 312th Machine Gun Battalion will not be mustered out of the army until Tuesday, June 10.

Capt. E. W. Jordan, commanding the Washington unit, telegraphed this news to Washington today.

Captain Jordan stated his unit would probably parade in Washington Thursday or Saturday of this week. In view of the fact the War Department has announced the unit will not come to Washington until demobilized the possibility of the parade is doubtful.

It was at first thought this unit would leave the service today, but the increased number of overseas soldiers of Maryland daily arriving at Camp Meade, have made it impossible to release the men before June 9.

## MAJ. GEN. KUHN PRAISES DISTRICT MEN IN 312TH

Stopping here at his home, 1215 Nineteenth street northwest, on his way to Camp Kearny, California, Maj. Gen. Joseph E. Kuhn, commander of the Seventy-ninth division, yesterday paid high tribute to the Washington unit of the 312th Machine Gun Battalion.

"The machine gunners of the 312th were brave men; they took part in all our fights and acquitted themselves extremely well. A number of them received decorations, and were cited for bravery. They were among the first to be equipped with Browning machine guns, and they made a fine record with them."

General Kuhn will take charge of Camp Kearny. He returned from France last week.

of the best thought of the colored citizens of Washington.

Your subscribers to this statement are in daily contact with large numbers of responsible and intelligent colored citizens of the community, who have thousands of children in the schools, and they as well as we are proud of the pre-eminent intellectual fitness of Mr. Bruce—established at Harvard University as a student and practically applied to the instruction and difficult matters of school administration in this city.

**Signers of Resolutions.**  
The resolutions were signed as follows:  
F. I. A. Bennett, clergyman, Cavalry Episcopal Church; Albert H. Adams, Treasury, 338 C street southwest; Theodore A. Bradford, Treasury, 338 C street southwest; Albert J. Beverly, real estate broker, 1326 Wallace street northwest; C. W. Chalk, physician, 1911 L street northwest; Thomas H. R. Clarke, U. S. A. real estate, 810 F street northwest; M. O. Dumas, physician, 1817 Thirteenth street northwest; W. L. Houston, attorney-at-law, 615 F street northwest; R. L. Holland, monotype operator, 623 Eighth street northeast; Geo. W. Jackson, Treasury Department, 720 Sixth street northeast; T. N. Landers, cabinet-maker, 29 A street southeast; W. H. Lewis, attorney at law, Garfield Heights, D. C.; Nelson Newman, Treasury, 1728 Fifteenth street northwest; Charles R. Lane, Pension Office, 502 T street northwest; Henry W. Freeman, M. D., 1937 Thirteenth street northwest; Geo. F. Richardson, M. D., 300 Eleventh street northeast; E. H. Smith, 1208 Linden street northeast; W. A. Taylor, clergyman, 2021 Thirteenth street northwest; Wm. H. Wilson, M. D., 1505 Tenth street northwest; E. C. Williams, librarian, Howard University.

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## SECTION TWO.

## HIGH SCHOOL CADETS TO BE REVIEWED THURSDAY

The annual review and parade of the Washington High School Cadet Brigade will be held on the Ellipse, south of the White House, Thursday afternoon.

Major Frank McIntyre, U. S. A., executive assistant to the chief of staff, will review the parade. The Marine Band will furnish music.

## SEN. NEWBERRY BACKS YEOMEN (F)

Senator Newberry has championed the cause of the yeomen (F), and will work for their continuance with the naval establishments.

He does not agree with Chairman Butler of the House Naval Affairs Committee that the yeomen (F) should be gotten rid of at once because the navy should be a "man's navy," and it does not look well for girls to be drilling in semi-naval uniforms or playing billiards, or doing other things that have displeased Mr. Butler.

A former assistant secretary of the navy and later a lieutenant commander in the naval reserves, Senator Newberry says he knows of the necessity for the employment of these girls in the naval service. "As a war proposition the yeomen of Navy was justified in enlisting these girls yeomen. I enlisted hundreds of them while still in the navy. They have been competent; they have done the work to which they were assigned, and they were needed for this work."

"I am opposed to dropping them from the navy. They should be transferred in some way, even if a way must be made, to civil service clerical positions under the Navy Department. Their position now is an anomaly—an enlisted yeoman with a yeoman's pay. That was all the Secretary of the Navy could do in war time, possibly, and the services of these girls were badly needed. I think the navy still needs them in clerical jobs, and as many as are needed should be put under civil service and protected in their positions."

**Teachers' Statement.**  
The Graduate School Teachers' Union issued this statement today: "While the employees of many of the Government departments were paid on May 20, the teachers were informed today that they would not receive their salaries for May until June 4 or 5. Furthermore, they were told that the money would be given at that time only a portion of the amount due, as there was a 'deficiency.' No promise was made as to when the balance would be forthcoming. Several years ago teachers were compelled to wait until October for part of their June salary."

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## D. C. ARTILLERYMEN GIVE DISCHARGES

The first battalion from Washington of the 110th Field Artillery is now a thing of the past. Yesterday the 400 men from Washington, together with 1,100 Maryland men, were discharged from the army.

Part of the men were discharged yesterday morning and the remainder in the afternoon. They did not wait to pack their things, for they were all ready, and as each man was discharged he took the first train out of camp for his home.

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An advisory board of the governors of the various States is provided.

## D. C. TEACHERS TO GET ONLY PART MAY PAY

The teachers of the public schools will receive their pay for May tomorrow, but 50 per cent of the longevity pay will be deducted because funds for the office of the District auditor this morning.

The auditor's office is \$24,000 short of funds by which to pay the longevity pay of the District teachers until the end of the school term. A request for this money was sent to Congress this morning to be included in the District deficiency bill.

Out of the last month's pay of the teachers \$23,000 will be deducted. If the deficiency bill is not passed soon it will be necessary to deduct \$44,000 from the pay of the teachers by the time the next pay day comes.

**Notice But No Pay.**  
Yesterday was pay day for the school teachers. Instead of receiving their pay this notice was sent to the various schools in Washington by Ernest L. Thurston, superintendent of schools:

"In view of the fact that the schedule of teachers' salaries for 1919, as fixed by law, is different from that upon which the estimates for longevity pay were based, and in view of the fact that the money for the teaching force, due to war conditions, the longevity appropriation of \$400,000 has proven insufficient to carry the teachers' pay in full through the fiscal year, the slight delay is caused in the payment of salaries for the month of May. Checks will be ready on Wednesday, less certain deductions on account of longevity pay. These deductions will be paid as soon as a deficiency can be secured."

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## HOLY CROSS ACADEMY TO HAVE FLAG RAISING

Flag exercises will be held Thursday afternoon at the Holy Cross Academy, Upton street and Connecticut avenue, when the American flag will be run up on the new steel pole erected on the school campus.

Senator Walsh of Massachusetts will be the principal speaker. Music will be rendered by the Walter Reed Hospital band.